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TOWN WARRANT.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE,

ROCKINGHAM, SS.

To the inhabitants of the Town of Chester, in said state, qualified to vote in Town affairs.

[L. S.]

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said town on the Second Tuesday, of March next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers and Agents for the year ensuing.

2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the support of schools; for the maintenance of the poor; for the laying out and repairing of highways, and building and repairing bridges; for paying the town debts and defraying interest thereon; and for other necessary charges arising in said town.

3. To hear the reports of agents, auditors, committees or officers heretofore chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.

4. To see if the town will vote to build a new Town Hall, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for that purpose.

5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money, for salary of Librarian, and to defray the running expenses of the Public Library.

6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a

sum of money in addition to that required by law, to purchase books for the Public Library.

7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the decoration of Soldiers Graves.

8. To see what the town will do with the old Hearse House.

9. To see what the Town will do in regard to providing a Lock-up or some suitable place for tramps.

10. To see if the Town will vote to build a suitable building for the Town machinery, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for that purpose.

11. To choose Agents, or Committees, in relation to any article embraced in this warrant.

Given under our hands and seal this twenty-first day of February in the year of our Lord 1905.

GEORGE S. WEST,
LEROY D. MORSE,
WILLIAM T. OWEN,
} Selectmen of Chester.

A true copy, Attest:

GEORGE S. WEST,
LEROY D. MORSE,
WILLIAM T. OWEN,
} Selectmen of Chester.

TOWN OFFICERS.

Moderator—Nathan W. Goldsmith.

Town Clerk—Cyrus F. Marston.

Selectmen—George S. West, Leroy D. Morse, William T. Owen.

Overseer of the Poor—William T. Owen.

Town Treasurer—Arthur H. Wilcomb.

Collector of Taxes—George S. Webster.

School Board—James G. Robertson, Lizzie S. Hooke, Sarah P. Webster.

School District Treasurer—John M. Webster.

Representative—William B. Underhill.

Library Trustees—James G. Robertson, Augustus P. Morse, Addison A. Bean.

Constables—Walter I. Martin, James W. Towle, John P. Buzzell.

Supervisors—James E. McCannon, Edwin P. Jones, William N. Colby.

Auditors—Cyrus F. Marston, John C. Ramsdell, Herbert L. Chase.

Health Officers—Cyrus F. Marston, Robert H. Hazelton, Walter I. Martin.

Cemetery Trustees—Robert H. Hazelton, one year; Addison A. Bean, two years; Cyrus F. Marston, three years.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

For the Fiscal Year Ending February 15, 1905.

VALUATION.

Resident real estate,	$275,147 00	
Non-resident real estate,	33,352 00	
Number polls, 205,	20,500 00	
Number of horses, 234	12,000 00	
Number of oxen, 14,	670 00	
Number of cows, 368,	9,146 00	
Number of other neat stock, 90,	1,539 00	
Number of sheep, 32,	104 00	
Bank stock,	4,742 00	
Money at interest,	3,000 00	
Stock in trade,	12,105 00	
Mills, machinery, etc.,	4,400 00	
		$376,705 00

APPROPRIATIONS.

State tax,	$567 00
County tax,	1634 52
Town tax,	1 00
Highway tax,	1200 00
School tax required by law,	1134 00
School tax additional, by vote of district,	400 00
School house repairs,	100 00

Books for public library,	$ 100 00	
Librarian's salary and expenses,	50 00	
Memorial day,	50 00	
For grading common,	100 00	
Old Home day celebration,	100 00	
Snow roller,	100 00	
Overlay,	114 06	
Tax omitted and added,	3 00	
		$5653 58
Rate per cent of taxation, on $100 00,	$ 1 50	
		$1 50

AMOUNT OF SCHOOL MONEY.

Amount required by law,	$1134 00	
Additional by vote of district,	400 00	
Literary fund,	94 40	
Balance of dog tax from 1903,	157 31	
		$1785 71

The Selectmen and Overseer of the Poor have given orders on the Town Treasurer for the payment of the following bills:

FOR REPAIRS ON HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

1904.

April	21,	Paid B. A. Follansbee,	$ 2 85
May	18,	S. S. Morse,	1 12
	28,	F. T. Smith,	53 60
	28,	S. G. Healey,	41 39
	31,	W. I. Martin,	35 45
June	25,	S. G. Healey,	31 82
	25,	F. T. Smith,	53 50

	25,	C. H. Edwards, .	$54 74
	25,	G. W. Southwick, .	70 00
	25,	A. J. Lane, .	71 42
	25,	W. N. Colby, .	77 35
	25,	Elmer A. Sanborn, .	34 85
	28,	W. I. Martin, .	109 87
July	2,	B. A. Follansbee, .	57 69
	9,	N. W. Goldsmith, .	35 03
	28,	W. T. Owen, .	39 17
Aug.	13,	S. S. Warren, .	18 01
	22,	N. W. Goldsmith, .	11 44
	27,	L. B. Richardson, .	44 35
	27,	W. N. Colby, .	89 99
	27,	F. T. Smith, .	15 25
	27,	W. I. Martin, .	28 60
Sept.	3,	Page T. Long, .	3 45
	3,	Albert Knippie, .	3 45
	3,	F. T. Smith, .	3 45
	15,	L. B. Jenkins & Co., for drain tile, .	8 78
	16,	S. G. Healey, .	18 74
	21,	N. W. Goldsmith, .	23 70
	24,	F. T. Smith, .	19 95
	24,	Leroy D. Morse, repairing railing, .	2 00
	24,	W. I. Martin, .	41 05
	28,	L. B. Richardson, .	15 65
	30,	S. S. Warren, .	24 10
	30,	C. H. Edwards, .	10 50
Oct.	3,	G. W. Southwick, .	73 25
	22,	B. A. Follansbee, .	43 70
	27,	S. G. Healey, .	8 00

	29,	W. N. Colby,	$31 40	
	29,	W. T. Owen,	14 71	
Nov.	26,	S. S. Warren,	4 12	
	26,	A. J. Lane,	27 34	
Dec.	19,	M. L. Colby,	60 60	
1905.				
Jan.	7,	Elmer A. Sanborn,	5 50	
Feb.	1,	S. S. Warren,	4 82	
	15,	B. A. Follansbee,	5 13	
	15,	G. S. West,	3 00	
				$1433 88

BREAKING ROADS.

1904.				
March	12,	Paid S. G. Healey,	$27 54	
	14,	S. S. Warren,	15 06	
	18,	L. B. Richardson,	26 65	
	19,	W. F. Owen,	46 94	
	26,	W. I. Martin,	13 03	
		G. A. Cammett,	37 65	
		S. G. Healey,	2 40	
		Arthur Hills,	12 92	
		W. N. Colby,	64 36	
		A. J. Lane,	43 45	
April	1,	S. S. Morse,	19 18	
	12,	Elmer A. Sanborn,	34 05	
	15,	C. H. Edwards,	38 28	
	21,	B. A. Follansbee,	31 77	
	22,	N. W. Goldsmith,	35 28	
		J. E. McCannon,	45 63	
Jan.	28,	F. T. Smith,	10 18	
Feb.	15,	N. W. Goldsmith,	21 08	

Austin J. Lane,	.	$11 45	
C. H. Edwards,	.	9 50	
Elmer A. Sanborn,	.	13 90	
B. A. Follansbee,	.	14 81	
L. B. Richardson,	.	11 25	
W. N. Colby,	.	16 86	
M. L. Colby,	.	12 73	
W. T. Owen,	.	15 36	
S. S. Warren,	.	4 90	
F. T. Smith,	.	1 50	
W. N. Colby, with snow roller,	.	6 80	
D. M. Mitchell, with snow roller,	.	6 80	
Leroy D. Morse, with snow roller,	.	5 20	
George S. West, with snow roller,	.	6 80	
Morse & West, draw-roller from Hampstead,	.	4 00	
			$667 31

SCHOOL HOUSE REPAIRS.

1904			
March 26,	Paid John M. Webster, .	$100 00	
			$100 00

SCHOOL BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

1904			
May 28,	Paid J. G. Robertson, .	$50 00	
Nov. 19,	J. G. Robertson, .	65 00	

1905				
Feb. 15,		J. G. Robertson,	$80 26	
15,		J. G. Robertson,	7 21	
				$202 47

SCHOOL MONEY.

1904.				
May 28,	Paid	John M. Webster,	$600 00	
Nov. 21,		John M. Webster,	600 00	
Dec. 31,		John M. Webster,	585 71	
				$1785 71

SOLDIERS MONUMENT.

1904.				
March 26,	Paid	Cyrus F. Marston,	$800 00	
				$800 00

PUBLIC LIBRARY.

1904.				
March 26,	Paid	James G. Robertson,	$100 00	
1905.				
Jan. 10,		James G. Robertson,	50 00	
				$150 00

TOWN HALL.

1904.				
May 28,	Paid	F. G. Lewis, for shingles and labor,	$64 90	
				$64 90

MEMORIAL DAY.

1904.				
May 28,	Paid	Edward J. Robie,	$50 00	
				$50 00

PRINTING AND STATIONARY.

1904.			
March 26,	Paid Edson C. Eastman, for collecting book and orders, . .	$4 25	
April 15,	E. P. Trowbridge, printing reports, .	47 60	
Sept. 25,	Edson C. Eastman for order books, .	2 75	
1905.			
Feb. 15,	George S. Webster for tax bills, . .	1 15	
15,	Charles Bartlett for 2 doz. warrants, . .	50	
			$56 25

TUITION OF PUPILS AT SCHOOL OUT OF TOWN.

1904.			
June 6,	Paid John M. Webster for Sanborn Seminary, .	$15 00	
27,	John M. Webster, for Pinkerton Academy .	156 00	
1905.			
Feb. 15,	John M. Webster, .	53 00	
			$224 00

OLD HOME DAY.

1904.			
Aug. 16,	Paid George S. West, .	$100 00	
			$100 00

MESSER BRIDGE.

1904.				
Sept. 24,	Paid Annis Grain & Lumber Co., for cement, .	$11 00		
27,	W. J. Martin for labor, .	49 95		
				$60 95

REPAIRS ON GUIDE BOARDS.

1904.			
Oct. 29,	Paid Abbott Davis & Co., for painting, . .	$10 70	
29,	Leroy D. Morse, collecting and putting up, .	3 00	
			$13 70

POLICE SERVICES.

1904			
July 9,	Paid E. P. Jones, police service at F. C. Carr's 1903, .	$ 3 00	
Sept. 12,	J. W. Towle for July 3 and 4, Aug. 22, .	4 00	
15,	Melvin Hall, police service Old Home Day, . .	7 05	
1905			
Feb. 15,	W. I. Martin, police services July 4, Aug. 22, Oct. 23 and 30, two Sundays, Nov. 8, and as dog officer,	13 00	

Feb. 15,	J. W. Towle, police service 3 Sundays with team and Nov. 8, . .	$10 00	
15,	J. P. Buzzell, police service 3 Sundays with team, .	8 00	
			$45 05

ABATEMENT OF TAXES.

1904			
July 23,	Paid Jesse McIntire a veteran, . .	$ 1 50	
1905			
Jan. 28,	Sylvester E. Emery, a veteran, .	1 50	
Feb. 15,	George F. Foote, a veteran, .	1 50	
	George S. Webster, collector on list of 1903 for the following:		
	Charles N. Farmer, died, . .	1 65	
	Earle C. Robinson, paid in Vt., .	1 65	
	John T. Gagnon, wrong tax .	2 31	
	Austin George, left town, .	2 08	
	Charles Tucker, left town, .	1 65	

	Charles Hanscomb, left town,	$ 1 65	
	Charles Holland, left town,	2 05	
	George E. Brackett, left town,	1 65	
	Ernest Raymond, left town,	1 65	
			$20 84

COLLECTING TAXES.

1905			
Feb. 15,	Paid George S. Webter, bal. of 1903,	$14 92	
	George S. Webster on list of 1904,	46 00	
			$60 92

DISCOUNT ON TAXES.

1905			
Feb. 15,	Paid George S. Webster, discount on taxes collected on or before Aug. 1st, 1904,	$86 94	

FOREST FIRES.

1904			
Nov. 26,	Paid W. A. Healey, A. F. Healey and Everett Healey, for watching fire on Shackford lot,	$ 6 00	
			$ 6 00

SNOW ROLLER.

1904			
Nov. 26,	Paid George W. Tibbetts,	$100 00	
			$100 00

GRADING COMMON.

1904.			
Aug. 16,	Paid Leroy D. Morse, team work,	$18 80	
16,	Bert Gile,	2 60	
16,	Charles Cook,	2 55	
16,	Wilson Wells,	6 60	
16,	Charles Wells,	5 25	
16,	H. M. West,	7 35	
16,	C. Martin,	1 50	
16,	A. A. Bean, team work,	7 00	
16,	W. I. Martin, team work,	2 00	
16,	D.M. Mitchell, team work,	5 60	
16,	F. T. Smith,	7 35	
16,	George Morse,	75	
16,	Arthur McDuffee,	75	
16,	George S. West, team work,	23 15	
16,	5 bags fertilizer,	7 50	
16,	Grass seed,	1 25	
			$100 00

FENCING COMMON.

Oct. 29,	Paid Head & Dowst Co., for lumber,	$8 45	
Nov. 15,	Mark Sanborn, building fence,	1 50	
			$9 95

MISCELLANEOUS.

1904.				
Mar. 26,	Paid George S. West, express		$ 35	
Nov. 26,	Bell W. R. C. election day officers dinners, .		2 40	
1905.				
Feb. 15,	N. W. Goldsmith, moderator services, .		5 00	
15,	Albert F. B. Edwards, ballot clerk, .		2 00	
15,	Elmer A. Sanborn, ballot clerk, . .		2 00	
15,	George S, Webster, ballot clerk, . .		2 00	
15,	Arthur H. Wilcomb, ballot, . .		2 00	
15,	Cyrus F. Marston, expenses to State Board of Health meeting, .		2 00	
15,	C. S. Wilcomb & Son, 4 pails lost at fire on Shackford lot, .		50	
15,	Chester & Derry R. R. freight, . .		1 00	
				$19 25

PERAMBULATING TOWN LINE.

1905,				
Feb. 15,	Paid George S. West, .		$ 2 00	
15,	Leroy D. Morse and team, . .		3 00	
15,	William T. Owen and team, . .		3 00	
				$8 00

RETURN OF MARRIAGES, BIRTHS AND DEATHS.

1905.			
Feb. 15,	Paid James G. Robertson, returning five marriages, .	$ 1 25	
15,	Ralph H. Barker, M. D., returning 8 births, 16 deaths, . .	6 00	
			$7 25

CARE OF CEMETERY.

1904			
Dec. 31,	Paid Robert H. Hazelton,	$ 9 75	
			$ 9 75

CARE AND ATTENDANCE WITH HEARSE.

1905			
Feb. 15,	Paid A. A. West for the following:		
1904			
March 22,	Mrs. George Merrill,	$ 2 00	
April 12,	Mrs. M. A. Morse, .	2 00	
14,	Nelson Gillingham,	2 00	
17,	John H. Smith, .	2 00	
May 7,	Mrs. George S. Webster, . .	2 00	
June 7,	Mrs. W. Marsters, .	2 00	
Aug. 16,	Mr. E. Morse, .	2 00	
Sept. 17,	Mrs. Elzira Lord, .	2 00	
Oct. 7,	Charles H. West, .	2 00	
20,	Mrs. Eleanor Allen,	2 00	
27,	John T. Ramsey, .	2 00	
Dec. 5,	John N. Hazelton, .	2 00	
19,	Mrs. Herbert Robie,	2 00	

1905			
Jan. 6,	Mrs. James D. Bell,	$ 2 00	
9,	Mrs. Brown, .	2 00	
30,	Mrs. George Underhill, . .	2 00	
Feb. 10,	Mrs. S. Worthley, .	2 00	
	Sponge and chamois skin, . .	1 00	
			$35 00

SCHOOL BOARD SERVICES.

1905			
Feb. 15,	Paid James G. Robertson,	$35 00	
	Lizzie S. Hooke, .	35 00	
	Sarah P. Webster, .	30 00	
			$100 00

SUPERVISORS' SERVICES.

1904			
Nov. 26,	Paid James E. McCannon,	$ 4 00	
	Edwin P. Jones, .	4 00	
	William N. Colby, .	4 00	
			$12 00

TOWN CLERK'S SERVICES.

1905			
Feb. 15,	Paid Cyrus F. Marston,	$21 00	
			$21 00

TOWN TREASURER'S SALARY.

1905			
Feb. 15,	Paid Arthur H. Wilcomb,	$25 00	
			$25 00

SELECTMEN'S SERVICES AND EXPENSES.

1905.				
Feb. 15,	Paid George S. West,	$66 00		
15,	Leroy D. Morse,	37 25		
15,	William T. Owen,	13 00		
15,	James A. Edwards,	15 50		
				$131 75

OVERSEER OF THE POOR SERVICES AND EXPENSES.

Feb. 15,	Paid William T. Owen,	$ 6 00		
				$6 00

AUDITOR'S SERVICES.

Feb. 15,	Paid Cyrus F. Marston,	$ 2 00		
15,	John C. Ramsdell,	2 00		
15,	Herbert L. Chase,	2 00		
				$ 6 00

SELECTMEN'S AND AUDITOR'S EXPENSES.

Paid Mrs. Julia Converse,		$ 5 00		
				$ 5 00

NOTICE.

All taxes assessed in the Town of Chester for the year 1904 not paid on or before the first day of April next, will be advertised and collected as the law directs.

GEORGE S. WEBSTER, Collector.

Chester, N. H., Feb. 21, 1905.

OVERSEER OF THE POOR.

REPORT OF WILLIAM T. OWEN.

Transients.

Paid James Edwards for lodging two transients	$ 1 00	
Mrs. Converse for lodging transients,	1 00	
W. T. Owen for lodging one transient,	50	
		$ 2 50
Total amount for support of poor in town,		$ 2 50

COUNTY PAUPERS,

Elijah Stockwell.

Paid Fanny West for board from Feb. 13, 1904, to Feb. 14, 1905,	$91 87	
C. S. Wilcomb & Son, for clothing,	1 75	
R. H. Barker for medical attendance,	1 50	
		$95 12

Luther Morse.

Paid Fanny West for board from Feb. 13, 1904 to Feb. 14, 1905,	$91 88	
C. S. Wilcomb & Son for clothing,	1 00	
		$92 87

KATE MCCLARKEY.

Paid J. W. Towle for conveying to Amesbury,	$ 9 20	
J. A. Edwards, conveying to Amesbury,	$3 00	
A. H. Wilcomb for telephone,	2 41	
		$14 61
Amount due from Rockingham County on account of 1904,	$12 50	
		$12 50
		$215 10
Collected of Rockingham County and paid town treasurer,	$196 95	
Balance due from county,	18 15	
		$215 10

WILLIAM T. OWEN, Overseer of Poor.

CHESTER, N. H., FEB. 21, 1905.

We hereby certify that we have examined the accounts of the Selectmen and Overseer of the Poor for the year ending Feb. 15, 1905, and find them correctly cast with satisfactory vouchers for the several charges.

CYRUS F. MARSTON,
JOHN C. RAMSDELL,
HERBERT L. CHASE,
} Auditors.

TAX PAYERS.

The following is a list of all persons paying a tax of over twenty dollars with the amount of their tax:

Addison A. Bean,	$36 38
James D. Bell's heirs,	72 66
George L. Converse heirs,	23 55
Eliza R. Crawford,	49 50
Dale Brothers,	150 45
Arthur L. Emerson heirs,	72 00
John D. Fiske,	21 80
Nathan B. Goldsmith heirs,	40 50
Charles F. Hills,	21 07
George Hooke,	24 12
Robert H. Hazelton,	38 63
Lucien Kent heirs,	27 00
Henry H. Lane heirs,	24 00
Silas F. Learnard heirs,	27 08
Dwight M. Mitchell,	43 50
Caroline E. W. Morse,	27 00
Edward T. Morse,	28 83
William P. Nichols,	39 08
Francis E. Robie,	20 85
Mrs. John Robinson heirs,	30 00
John T. Ramsey,	27 52
William H. Thayer,	48 48
John P. Townsend,	21 00
George S. West,	21 38

Alice M. N. West,	$27 00
Alonzo A. West,	21 75
George W. Weeks heirs,	40 50
Charles S. Wilcomb,	45 60
C. S. Wilcomb & Son,	36 00
John S. Smith,	24 95
Edmund J. Wilcomb,	31 50
Hardwell H. Bickford heirs,	29 70
Samuel Carr heirs,	49 95
Charles H. Greene,	56 66
Ebenezer Morse,	25 92
Leon B. Richardson,	20 18
William B. Underhill,	26 32
George M. West heirs,	21 00
Joseph Webster heirs,	37 50
Webster Brothers,	114 21
Abbie C. Walton,	21 65
Charles A. Wilson,	90 00
Ambrose W. Burns,	27 00
Charles Chase heirs,	20 25
Fred W. Chamberlain heirs,	24 00
Marion C. Cheswell heirs,	38 43
George W. Clark,	28 95
John M. Emerson,	21 67
Luther W. Hall,	32 10
Farish G. Lewis,	22 08
Anna W. M. Marston,	20 61
John W. Noyes heirs,	94 31
William M. Noyes heirs,	27 00
John H. Robie,	42 00
George W. Southwick,	32 33
Arthur T. Underhill	21 52

William P. W. Whittemore,	$21 60
Cyrus W. Hills,	28 35
Annie F. Morse,	38 63
Samuel S. Morse,	23 35
William A. Smith's heirs,	27 00
George Wells heirs,	33 75
Emma C. Hosley,	33 00
William T. Owen,	25 02
Joseph W. Smith,	60 93
Mrs. John Currier heirs,	36 62
Martin Mills,	34 29
Oren F. Page heirs,	25 77
James W. Towle,	27 72
Samuel S. Warren,	25 88
John A. Hazelton,	20 82
Emeline Hazelton,	30 00
Mrs. Edwin Hazelton,	24 25
Gilman H. Jenness,	24 00
Lewis Kimball heirs,	36 00
George H. Merrill heirs,	30 00
Albert J. Merrill,	35 33
Augustus P. Morse,	40 62
Clarence O. Morse,	23 70
Orlando M. Tenney,	28 35
William F. Warren,	25 08
George W. Dolber heirs,	27 33
Frank Dolber,	20 55
Luther B. Lane,	20 31
Samuel E. Ray,	28 50
Horace E. True heirs,	27 00
John Wason,	72 00
Elmer A. Sanborn,	25 88
John M. Parker,	20 85

DR. THE TOWN OF CHESTER IN ACCOUNT

1904–1905.

To discount on taxes paid on or before Aug. 1, 1904	$ 86 94
To cash paid for printing and stationery	56 25
To cash paid for Memorial Day expenses	50 00
To cash paid for county tax	1,634 52
To cash paid for state tax	567 00
To cash paid for public library books	100 00
To cash paid for public library expenses	50 00
To cash paid for care and attendance with hearse	35 00
To cash paid for care of cemeteries	9 75
To cash paid for repairs on town hall	64 90
To cash paid for improvements on roads and bridges	1,494 83
To cash paid for breaking road	667 31
To cash paid school district treasurer, for schools	1,785 71
To cash paid for school books and supplies	202 47
To cash paid for schoolhouse repairs	100 00
To cash paid for tuition of pupils in academies out of town	224 00
To cash paid for abatement of taxes	20 84
To cash paid for collecting taxes	60 92
To cash paid for support of poor	205 10
To cash paid for return of marriages, births and deaths	7 25
To cash paid for school board's services and expenses	100 00
To cash paid for town clerk's services and expenses	21 00
To cash paid for selectmen's services and expenses	131 75
To cash paid for supervisors of check lists services	12 00
To cash paid for town treasurer's salary	25 00
To cash paid for overseer of poor's services and expenses	6 00
To cash paid for auditors' services	6 00
To cash paid for police services	45 05
To cash paid for perambulating town lines	8 00
To cash paid for miscellaneous bills	19 25
To cash paid for soldiers monument	800 00
To cash paid for forest fires	6 00
To cash paid for repairs on guide boards	13 70
To cash paid for snow roller	100 00
To cash paid for old home day	100 00
To cash paid for repairs on road machine	4 80
To cash paid for auditors' and selectmen expenses	5 00
To cash paid for grading and fencing common	109 95
To cash in treasury to balance	131 51
	$9,067 80

With Arthur H. Wilcomb, Town Treasurer.		Cr.
1904.		
	By balance in the treasury February 18th., 1904	$ 334 94
March	By cash of Geo. S. Webster, on tax list of 1903	500 00
April	By cash of Geo. S. Webster, on tax list of 1903	600 00
May	By cash of treasurer of cemetery trustees for "Noyes cemetery fund"	300 00
June	By cash of town clerk for 1904 dog license fees	149 43
July	By cash of Geo. S. Webster, on tax list of 1903	125 00
July	By cash of Geo. S. Webster, on tax list of 1904	1,550 00
	By cash of state board of license commissioners, for balance of 1903 license fee	60
Aug.	By cash of Geo. S. Webster, on tax list of 1904	1,261 00
Dec.	By cash of Geo. S. Webster, on tax list of 1904	1,000 00
Dec.	By cash of state treasurer, railroad tax	18 00
Dec.	By cash of state treasurer, savings bank tax	1,159 63
Dec.	By cash of state treasurer, literary fund	86 90
Dec.	By cash of C. S. Wilcomb & Son for note	500 00
1905.		
Jan.	By cash of Geo. S. Webster, on tax list of 1904	500 00
Feb.	By cash of Geo. S. Webster, on tax list of 1904	367 00
Feb.	By cash of Geo. S. Webster, bal., on tax list of 1903	31 60
Feb.	By cash of Geo. S. Webster, interest on tax list of 1903.	29 75
Feb.	By cash of Chester Grange for rent of town hall	25 00
Feb.	By cash of county for support of poor	196 95
Feb.	By cash of A. H. Wilcomb for note	300 00
Feb.	By cash of Cyrus F. Marston, treasurer of Chester Cemetery Association, for Jonathan Pressey Cemetery fund	32 00
		$9,067 80

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Assets.

Balance on tax list of 1904,	$975 58	
Balance in hands of town treasurer,	131 51	
		$1107 09

Indebtedness of the Town Feb. 21st, 1905.

Note of $400, due Webster Brothers, dated Feb. 16th, 1897, with interest annually at 4 per cent,	$546 86	
Note of $500, due C. S. Wilcomb & Son, dated Dec. 20th, 1904,	$505 00	
Note of $300, due Arthur H. Wilcomb, dated Feb. 15th, 1905,	300 00	
Note of $300, due Cemetery trustees in trust for Noyes Cemetery Fund, dated May 3rd, 1904, with interest annually at 3 1-2 per cent,	308 32	
Note of $32, due Cemetery trustees in trust for Jonathan Pressey cemetery fund, dated Feb. 15th, 1905, with interest annually at 3 1-2 per cent,	32 00	
Amount of Pressey legacy for reservoir, with annual interest at 4 per cent from April 14th, 1892, to Feb. 15th, 1905,	328 51	
		$2020 69
Balance against town,		$913 60

ARTHUR H. WICOMB, Treasurer.

CHESTER, N. H., FEBRUARY 21ST, 1905

We hereby certify that we have examined the accounts of Arthur H. Wilcomb, Town Treasurer, and find them correctly cast with satisfactory vouchers for the several charges.

CYRUS F. MARSTON,
JOHN C. RAMSDELL,
HERBERT L. CHASE,
} Auditors.

PUBLIC LIBRARY.

LIBRARIAN'S ACCOUNT.

Books added to the library in 1904,	$ 71
Purchased with town money,	55
With fines,	04
Given,	12
Fiction,	54
Non-Fiction.	17
Number of books taken out during the year,	5132
Average number to every person in town,	6
Largest number taken out in one day, March 19, 04,	106
Smallest number, Apr. 6, '04,	11
Per cent of fiction read,	58
Per cent of non-fiction read,	32

DR.

Money received in fines,	$4 83	
From summer boarders,	40	
Balance on hand from 1903,	2 32	
		$7 55

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Expended for books and needed supplies,	$5 75	
Cash on hand to balance,	1 82	
		$7 55

Gifts of books or magazines have been received during the year from Mrs. James H. Fitts, Mrs. Clarence Morse, Harris L.

Gilson, Chester T. Wells, J. G. Robertson, J. H. Corning, Harris West, Charles A. Wilcomb, J. O. U. A. M., the Jewish Publication Society, New Hampshire State Library and Christian Science Society of Chester.

Mr. Jesse McIntire has donated the Outlook, Miss Lucy C. Bell the Youth's Companion.

Charles A. Wilcomb has given three views of the Yosemite Valley.

A stack capable of containing several hundred books was added, early in the year, to afford needed shelf room.

The building has been painted on the outside.

These items and the fact that the cost of library books is much greater than in the past have decreased the number of annual accessions somewhat, while the usual expense of rebinding books was omitted this year for the same reason.

TRUSTEES REPORT.

Receipts.

Balance from last year . .	$ 8 38	
Received from town, . .	150 00	
		$158 38

Expenditures.

Paid Mark Sanborn, work and materials,	6 25
C. A. Nichols, work and materials, .	29 91
Sylvia M. Sherwin, atlas, .	5 75
D. D. Cottrell, periodicals, .	14 00
Little Brown & Co, books, .	15 75
The Pilgrim Press, books, .	9 69
Sherburn Hazelton, services, .	5 65
Bert Gile, work, . .	15
D. M. Mitchell, 2 cords of wood, .	5 50
R. H. White Co., books, .	21 91

Courier Publishing Co., supplies,	$ 3 15	
C. S. Wilcomb & Son,	25	
Temple & Farrington Co., books,	7 34	
Miss Isabelle H. Fitz, librarian,	25 00	
Webster Bros., supplies,	1 15	
Express and expenses,	4 35	
Balance on hand,	2 58	
		$158 38

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES G. ROBERTSON, Treas.

ADDISON A. BEAN,
JAMES G. ROBERTSON,
AUGUSTUS P. MORSE,
} Trustees.

CHESTER, N. H., FEBRUARY, 1905

We certify that we have examined the accounts of the Trustees and Treasurer of the Free Public Library of Chester for the year past, and find them correctly cast with satisfactory vouchers for the several charges.

CYRUS F. MARSTON,
JOHN C. RAMSDELL,
HERBERT L. CHASE,
} Auditors.

REPORT OF THE CEMETERY TRUSTEES.

At the annual Town Meeting in March, 1904, the warrant contained the followicg Article: II. To see if the Town will choose Trustees or Agents, who shall have the care and supervison of the Public Cemeteries.

Under this Article, Voted: To choose three Cemetery Trustees, who shall have the care and supervision of all the Public Cemeteries and that they shall make annual reports of their doings and receipts and expenditures.

At the first election, of said Trustees, one shall be chosen for one year, one for two years, and one for three years, and thereafter one shall be elected annually, for the term of three years.

Robert H. Hazelton, was chosen trustee for one year.

Addison A. Bean was chosen trustee for two years.

Cyrus F. Marston, was chosen trustee for three years.

There being no funds at the command of the Trustees for the past year, nothing was expended by them.

It will be seen by the Town Treasurer's Report, that the John W. Noyes Fund has been paid in. The Jonathan Pressey Fund, which was originally left to the Chester Cemetery Association, as trustee, has also been transferred to the Town Cemetery trustees.

It should be understood that the Board of Trustees cannot do very much for improvement in the Cemeteries unless funds are provided for that purpose.

It would be an improvement, in looks at least, if the old Hearse House should be removed to some other location.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT H. HAZELTON,
ADDISON A. BEAN,
CYRUS F. MARSTON,
} Cemetery Trustees.

SCHOOL WARRANT.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE,

ROCKINGHAM, SS.

To the inhabitants of the Town of Chester School District qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet in the Town Hall in said town, Saturday, the eleventh day of March, 1905, at two o'clock in the afternoon to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the ensuing year.

2. To choose a clerk.

3. To choose a member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.

4. To choose a Treasurer.

5. To hear reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or officers heretofore chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.

6. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the support of schools in addition to that required by law.

7. To see what the District will do in regard to repairing, furnishing, and improving the school buildings, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for that purpose.

8. To choose Agents, Auditors and Committees in regard to any subjects embraced in this warrant.

9. To transact any other business which may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands at said Chester this, the sixteenth day of February, 1905.

LIZZIE S. HOOKE,
JAMES G. ROBERTSON,
SARAH P. WEBSTER,
} School Board of Chester.

A true copy of warrant, Attest:

LIZZIE S. HOOKE,
JAMES G. ROBERTSON,
SARAH P. WEBSTER,
} School Board of Chester.

SCHOOL REPORT.

Again have the rapidly whirling wheels of time brought us to the end of the school year; to the time when we are expected to report what has been done in the cause of education.

In nearly all the schools there have been thirty weeks schooling during the year. We think that the time has been very profitably spent, and that the teachers have tried hard to impress upon the minds of those under their care, the importance of faithfulness in their work. The attendance was, perhaps, rather better than in some previous years, until the last few weeks. Sickness interfered with the attendance in one school, and so broke up the classes that it was thought best to close the school with only twenty-eight weeks. A severe storm broke up all the schools, more or less, our schools extending over so large a territory that they can not be "rung out" as the city schools can. We think there have not been as many instances of tardiness as there were last year. We notice in one school of eighteen pupils, (No. 6) there were only five tardy marks for the year; in No. 5, fifteen pupils, nine tardy marks; and in No. 7, sixteen pupils, ten marks; when we consider that some have quite a long distance to go we think this a very commendable record. We hope for fewer marks the coming year. It is very important that habits of punctuality should be formed in our early years; then they will become so firmly fixed that as we grow older, and go out into the busy world we shall never be "too late." We noticed in one or two schools the pupils were required to pronounce their syllables in spelling. We hope that another year it may be done in all the

schools in town. Give it a trial and see if the words are not more easily learned and pronounced. When we had an Academy here one of the teachers used to tell us that good spelling was of a great deal more importanee than good writing; if we couldn't learn but one of them, let it be the spelling. We agree with him, and believe that tne practice of giving the letters alone, in spelling a word, is largely the cause of there being so many poor spellers, and readers too, for if a child does not know how to divide a hard word into syllables, how can he pronounce it?

We wish to say a word in regard to the holding of the books. We have noticed some scholars, and in one or two instances the teachers too, ben. their books back until the covers touched each other. This should never be done, as it breaks the binding the leaves become loosened, and in a short time the book is entirely worthless.

Parents who plan to have their children complete the course of study at Pinkerton, or any other academy, in four years, should be sure they are thoroughly prepared to enter. The Pinkerton Catalogue issued in 1903 and 1904 show the names of ten who are in the Junior class both years, and a still larger number who become discouraged and dropped out. Our schools are provided with competent teachers and it is much better that all should remain at home till they have been through the Complete Arithmetic, large Geography, History and Grammar thoroughly twice, and are able to analyze complex sentences in the last part of Metcalf's English Grammar. Any thing less is not good fitting, and in all probability means unnecessary expense to the town and extra work and inconvenience on the part of parents and children. There is no surer way to make poor scholars then to try advancing them beyond what they are able to do well. Our teachers are employed to instruct in the fundamental branches and have more time to devote to individual needs of their pupils than can be expected in higher and larger

schools. Teachers in academies have their work and should not be asked for elementary training that we are paying every year to have done in our own schools.

We wish to thank the W. R. C., for the picture of "The Father of our Country," which they have placed in all our school rooms.

The money appropriated for repairs was laid out in the halls of the Academy (so called) and in shingling all the school buildings of North Chester. The school room at the "Brick" requires attention this year.

The conditions remain the same as last year in regard to conveying pupils. We wish there might be some satisfactory arrangement made by which a school house could be more centrally located for schools 6 and 8. There are not too many pupils for one school, but the room in present use is too small to be ventilated properly without endangering the health of more or less of the pupils.

We were pleased to see that the parents and friends visited the schools so generally. Visit them oftener if you can the coming year. Do not wait for an examination, but see them in their every day work if you would know how much they are really doing.

LIZZIE S. HOOKE,
JAMES G. ROBERTSON,
SARAH P. WEBSTER,
} School Board of Chester.

ROLL OF HONOR.

NO. 1 FIRST DIVISION.

Mildred Fitts†
Ethel Mackintosh†
Sherburne Hazelton†
Blanche Webster
Philip Hazelton
Mildred Green†
Marie Thayer†
Harold Sweeney
Earle Hazelton

NO. 1 SECOND DIVISION.

Edith A. Hazelton*
Forrest Nichols
Helen D. Mackintosh
Irma O. Jones†
Lester W. Mitchell

NO. 2, SOUTH ROAD.

Lena M. Wood

NO. 3, BRICK.

Nellie Hardy†
Ralph W. Morrill
Olive B. Robie
Joseph Edwards
Lester J. Lewis

NO. 5, NORTH CHESTER.

Bert Cammett†
Grace M. Dolber*
Maude B. Parker†
Blanche Maxwell
Everett R. Haselton
Allen J. Parker†
Bernice M. Maxwell
Nellie W. Parker
Evelyn M. Cammett

NO. 6, TOWLE.

Lizzie A. Brown†
Millie F. Dolber†
Roxana R. W. West*
David M. Mills
Herbert W. Ray
Hazel I. Stowe†
Ruth A. Mills
Mary A. Brown
Lena M. Marden†
Joseph Hatch
Henry D. Mills
Percy S. Stowe*
Inez L. Stowe

NO. 7, WALNUT HILL.

Lillian Kimball†
Hayford Kimball
Leonard Hill†
George Gorham†
Miller Kimball
Howard Warren

Olive S. Buzzell† Louise Russell

†Perfect two terms.

*Perfect three terms.

EXPENDITURES.

Paid for Teaching.

1904			
June	23, Mary E. Bartlett, No. 7,	$84 00	
	23, Bessie L. Wray, No. 6,	68 75	
	25, Nellie F. Wiggin, No. 1, 1st division,	108 00	
	25, Mabel E. Hill. No. 1, 2nd division,	90 00	
	28, Sara B. Luscombe, No. 5,	78 00	
July	1, Cora K. Seavey, No. 3,	97 50	
	1, Martha L. Coolidge, No. 2,	72 00	
Sept	16, Edna Bartlett, No. 7, (two weeks,	14 00	
Nov.	17, Nellie F. Wiggin,	110 00	
	17, Mabel E. Hill,	82 50	
	17, Sara B. Luscombe,	82 50	
	17, Duraxa W. Crawford, No. 6,	66 00	
	18, Martha L. Coolidge,	75 00	
	18, Cora K. Seavey,	82 50	
	19, Bessie L. Wray, No. 7,	63 00	
Dec.	31, Duraxa W. Crawford,	36 00	
1905			
Jan.	6, Cora K. Seavey,	45 00	
	13, Mabel E. Hill,	52 50	
	13, Nellie F. Wiggin,	70 00	
	13, Bessie L. Wray,	49 00	
	12, Martha L. Collidge,	37 50	
	12, Sara B. Luscombe,	45 00	
			$1508 75

Conveying Pupils.

1904				
June	24,	Luther B. Lane, No. 6,	$25 00	
	25,	Mrs. V. A. Towle, No. 6,	28 25	
Nov.	16,	Luther B. Lane,	27 50	
	22,	Mrs. V. A. Towle,	29 25	
Dec.	31,	Mrs. V. A. Towle,	15 00	
1905				
Jan.	3,	Luther B. Lane,	17 50	
				$142 50

Fuel Account.

1904				
Oct.	1,	Ostinellor Robie, wood,	$ 4 50	
	19.	Charles F. True,	4 50	
Nov.	17,	W. P. W. Whittemore, wood and fitting,	17 25	
Dec.	10,	Leroy D. Morse,	2 00	
	21,	Charles H. Greene,	8 10	
1905				
Jan.	4,	Charles H. Edwards, wood and fitting,	34 20	
	27,	Augustus P. Morse,	7 50	
	30,	Garland Smith,	6 38	
	31,	Walter I. Martin,	6 25	
Feb.	14,	Leroy S. Woodard, fitting 9 1-2 cords of wood,	4 75	
				$95 43

Janitors Services.

1905				
Jan.	17,	Sherburne E. Hazelton, No. 1, 1st and 2nd divisions,	$ 4 82	
	31,	George E. Gorham, No. 7,	1 75	
				$ 6 57

Miscellaneous Bills.

1904				
March	30,	Ella B. Drowne, cleaning,	$ 3 00	
April	1,	Fannie M. West, cleaning,	6 00	
	15,	Annie M. Wakefield, cleaning,	2 00	
	19,	Mrs. Geo. Mackintosh, cleaning,	1 35	
	19,	Georgianna Abbott, cleaning,	1 75	
	30,	Charles A. Nichols, painting,	13 00	
Nov.	24,	A. W. McKellips, cleaning out well,	2 00	
	23,	Mrs. Elvira Gile, cleaning,	3 25	
Dec.	1,	Luther F. West, labor No. 3,	1 75	
1905				
Jan.	31,	Page T. Long, labor cleaning well,	1 00	
Feb.	11,	Kathleen Melvin, car fares,	7 50	
	11,	Lizzie S. Hooke, repairs and expenses,	2 70	
				$45 30

School House Repairs.

1904				
April	9,	F. G. Lewis, material and labor, academy halls,	$54 64	
	16,	M. L. Colby, shingling No. 5,	25 00	
1905				
Jan.	9,	Webster Bros., painters supplies,	$14 56	
	17,	F. P. Shackford, repairing 2nd division,	3 15	
	21,	A. A. West, material and labor repairing,	2 30	

23, Wm. P. Nichols, material and labor,	$ 2 13	
		$101 78

BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

1905		
Webster Bros.,	$ 7 21	
Ginn & Co.,	18 51	
American Book Co.,	22 64	
George F. King & Co.,	22 46	
Benj. H. Sanborn,	9 17	
Houghton, Mifflin & Co.	31 75	
R. E. Lane,	4 05	
F. H. Kasson,	2 50	
C. S. Wilcomb & Son,	15 68	
Daniel Pratt's Son,	65	
Express and Postage,	2 85	
		$137 47

CREDIT.

Received from town,	$137 47

SCHOLARS ATTENDING PINKERTON ACADEMY.

Paid F. J. Shepard, Treasurer, fall and winter terms, 1903 and spring 1904,		
Edwin Anderson, 2 terms,	$12 00	
Anna Barndollar, 3 terms,	18 00	
Frances Barndollar, 3 terms,	18 00	
Howard Fitts, 3 terms,	18 00	
Ethel Greene, 3 terms,	18 00	
Maud Rand, 3 terms,	18 00	
Charles Underhill, 3 terms,	18 00	

Marion Webster, 3 terms,	$18 00	
Harris West, 3 terms,	18 00	
		$156 00

SANBORN SEMINARY.

Paid A. C. Chase, Treasurer, to March 1905.		
Laura R. Lane, 2 terms,	$10 00	
Sewall F. Tenney, 3 terms.	15 00	
Lillian Mackintosh, 3 terms,	15 00	
		$40 00

COLBY ACADEMY.

Paid H. G. McKean, Principal, to March, 1905.		
Elsie M. Shackford, 2 terms,	$28 00	
		$28 00
		$224 00
Received from Town, tuition,		$224 00

CHESTER, N. H., Feb. 18, 1905

We certify that we have examined the accounts of the School Board of Chester for the past year and find them correctly cast with satisfactory vouchers for the several charges.

CYRUS F. MARSTON.
JOHN C. RAMSDELL, } Auditors.
HERBERT L. CHASE,

SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER'S REPORT.

SCHOOL MONEY RECEIVED.

Received from Town of Chester,	$1785 71	
Received from Town of Derry,	15 00	
		$1800 71

EXPENDITURES.

Paid teacher's salaries,	$1508 75	
conveying pupils,	142 50	
fuel and janitors,	102 00	
miscellaneous bills,	45 30	
cash on hand,	2 16	
		$1800 71

EXPENDITURES ON SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

Paid bills for repairs,	$101 78	
		$101 78

RECEIPTS.

Balance from last year,	$ 1 78	
Received from Town Treasurer,	100 00	
		$101 78

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN M. WEBSTER, District Treasurer.

CHESTER, N. H., FEBRUARY 18, 1905

We hereby certify that we have examined the accounts of John M. Webster, Treasurer, of the School District of the town of Chester for the year past, and find them correctly cast with satisfactory vouchers for the several charges.

CYRUS F. MARSTON,
JOHN C. RAMSDELL,
HERBERT L. CHASE,
} Auditors.

SCHOOL TABLE.

No. of School.	TERMS.	NAMES OF TEACHERS.	No. of Weeks	Whole No. of Pupils.	No. of Pupils in										
					Reading	Spelling	Writing	Arithmetic	Geography	Grammar	History	Composition.	Drawing.	Vocal Music	Physiology
1	Spring. .	Nellie F. Wiggin.....	12	27	27	27	27	27	27	27	27	27	..	..	27
1 Div.	Fall.....	Nellie F. Wiggin.....	11	24	23	23	23	23	23	23	23	23	23	23	11
	Winter...	Nellie F. Wiggin.....	7	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	11
1	Spring...	Mabel E. Hill.....	12	25	25	25	25	21	11	8	8	8	..	25	..
2 Div.	Fall.....	Mabel E. Hill.....	11	23	23	23	23	20	9	7	7	7	23	23	..
	Winter...	Mabel E. Hill.....	7	21	21	21	21	18	9	7	7	7	21	21	..
2	Spring...	Martha L. Coolidge.....	12	16	16	16	15	13	8	5	3	..	..	..	..
	Fall.....	Martha L. Coolidge.....	11	14	14	14	14	12	9	3	1	..	..	..	..
	Winter...	Martha L. Coolidge.....	7	13	13	13	12	10	8	3	1	..	..	..	..
3	Spring...	Cora K. Seavey.....	13	19	19	19	19	19	12	16	7	19	19	19	19
	Fall	Cora K. Seavey..... ...	11	20	20	20	20	20	14	14	7	20	20	20	14
	Winter...	Cora K. Seavey.....	6	16	16	16	16	16	12	12	7	16	16	16	14
5	Spring...	Sara B. Luscombe.....	12	13	13	13	13	13	11	10	5	10	..	13	5
	Fall.....	Sara B. Luscombe.....	11	15	15	15	14	14	10	10	10	10	..	14	5
	Winter...	Sara B. Luscombe.....	6	16	16	16	16	16	13	10	10	10	..	16	5
6	Spring...	Bessie L. Ray	11	17	17	17	17	17	14	7	7	7	..	17	3
	Fall.....	Duraxa W. Crawford.....	11	16	16	16	16	15	11	5	5	5	12	..	1
	Winter ..	Duraxa W. Crawford.....	6	15	15	15	15	10	11	3	4	5	12	..	..
7	Spring...	Mary E. Bartlett.....	12	11	11	11	11	11	6	6	4	4	..	11	4
	Fall.....	Bessie L. Ray.	11	16	16	16	16	16	8	7	6	2	..	16	5
	Winter...	Bessie L. Ray	7	11	11	11	11	11	7	7	5	3	..	11	4

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS,

REGISTERED IN THE

TOWN OF CHESTER,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING

DECEMBER 31, 1904.

Births Registered in the Town of Chester, for the Year Ending December 31, 1904.

Date of Birth.	Place of Birth.	Name of Child (if any.)	Sex & Con: Male or Female	Sex & Con: Living or Stillb.	Sex & Con: No. of Child.	Sex & Con: Color.	Name of Father.	Maiden name of Mother.	Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.	Age of Father.	Age of Mother.
Mar. 27	Chester ..	Edith J. Wason	f	l	3	w	William B. Wason...	Eva L. Martin	Chester	Candia	30	29
Apr. 4	"	Edith Healey	f	l	2	w	William A. Healey ..	Hattie F. Buss	" ...	Worcester, Mass...	28	23
15	"	Bernice L. Rand	f	l	1	w	Charles D. Rand	Lila M. Lane	Lynn, Mass	Chester	28	23
July 23	"	Walton E. Leighton .	m	l	2	w	Arthur E. Leighton..	Sarah E. Edwards....	Lowell, Mass	"	25	25
24	"	Roseina V. Knight...	f	l	7	w	Allen L. Knight	Mary A. Weston ...	Chester, Vt ...	England	44	41
Aug. 22	"	Lloyd Robie	m	l	4	w	Elmer M. Robie ...	Maud Devine	Chester	Winooski, Vt .. .	43	36
Sept. 4	"	....	f	l	4	w	A. Dana Weeks	Emily S. Smith	"	Auburn	39	29

Marriages Registered in the Town of Chester, for the Year Ending December 31, 1904

Date.	Place of Marriage.	Name and Surname of Bride and Groom.	Residence of each at time of Marriage	Age of each	Color.	Occupation of Groom and Bride	Place of Birth of Each.	Names of Parents.	Condition.	Name, Residence and Official Station of Person by whom married.
Mar. 3	Chester	George F. Morse	Chester	33	w	Laborer..	Chester	Franklin A. Morse	1	James G. Robertson. Clergyman, Chester
								Mary J. Cunningham ..		
		Ellen L. Jones	" ...	35	w	....	Cambridge...	James Dalton	2	
								Bridget Finnon		
Apr. 27	Haverhill, Mass ..	Alonzo A. West	"	64	w	Wheel-wright	Chester	Nathaniel R. West	3	George H. Hubbard, Clergyman,, Haverhill, Mass
								Rosanna McDuffee .. .		
		Alice J. Wilkinson ...	Haverhill, Mass	37	w	Shoe stitcher	Gilford	Daniel Leavitt	2	
								Lizzie Thompson		
June 23	Chester	Augustus P. Morse	Chester	56	w	Farmer ..	Chester	Parker Morse	2	James G. Robertson, Clergyman, Chester
								Mary Jenness		
		Mary F. Anderson ...	"	47	w	....	"	Edwin Hasel on	2	
								Susan Elkins		
Aug. 29	Chester ...	William H. Downing ..	"	27	w	Surveyer of lumber	Concord	Bil Downing	1	James G. Robertson, Clergyman, Chester
								Mary Story		
		Susie E. Nisbett	Groveland Mass	18	w	....	Bradford, Mass	James I. Nisbett	1	
								Mabel Webster		
Sept. 14	Chester	Charles E. Cook	Chester ..	39	w	Shoe-maker .	Beverly, Mass	William Co ok	1	James G. Robertson, Clergyman, Chester
								Mary E. Kilham		
		Lillian F. Rouke	Manchester,	32	w		Raymond	Sylvester E. Emery	2	
								Jennie E. Piper		

Deaths Registered in the Town of Chester, for the Year Ending December 31, 1904.

Date.	Place of Death	Name and Surname of the Deceased.	Age. Years.	Months.	Days.	Place of Birth.	Sex Con Sex.	Color.	Single, etc.	Occupation.	Name of Father.	Maiden name of Mother.
Jan. 3	Chester	Mary E. Webster	32	10	16	England	f	w	m	Housewife...	——Richardson	....
8	"	Amanda B. Allen ...	89	3	27	Fayette, Me....	f	w	w	....	Samuel Walton	Lydia Simons ...
31	"	William M. Noyes	75	2	17	Norway, Me...	m	w	m	Farmer	Asa Noyes	Mary Judkins ....
Feb. 7	"	Caroline E. Underhill ..	70	8	9	Haverhill, Mass	f	w	w	....	Amos Southwick .. .	Susan Atwood ....
10	"	Louisa A. Berry	80	..	20	Strafford	f	w	w	....	Joseph H. Berry	Polly Stanton ....
Mar. 19	"	Mary A. Merrill	87	4	..	Derry	f	w	w	....	John Sleeper	Betsey Jones ....
Apr. 9	"	Mary A. Morse	85	2	.	Chester	f	w	w	....	Edward Robie	Mary Prescott ....
11	" . ..	Nelson Gillingham . ..	68	11	18	Newbury	m	w	w	Blacksmith ..	Henry Gillingham ...	Polly Nelson ....
14	"	John Henry H. Smith..	74	7	1	Highgate, Vt..	m	w	w	Farmer ...	Timothy Smith	Mary Head ....
May 3	"	Lizzie S. Webster	48	5	3	Chester	f	w	m	....	George W. Chase	Lydia Dickey .. .
28	" .. .	Kezia Marsters	74	11	28	Seabrook	f	w	w	...	Elias Felch	Elizabeth Dow ....
Aug. 27	"	Lloyd Robie	..	..	5	Chester	m	w	s	....	Elmer M. Robie	Maud Devine ....
31	"	Ebenezer Morse	81	9	20	"	m	w	m	Farmer	Isaac Morse	Nancy Worthen ....
Sept. 14	"	Elzira F. Lord	62	..	14	"	f	w	w	....	Thomas S. Morse....	Mary A. Robie ....
Oct. 4	" ...	Charles H West	66	9	6	Exeter ...	m	w	m	Shoemaker ..	John W. West ..	Betsey R. Purington.
16	"	Lida E. W. Allen	58	7	6	Fayette, Me ...	f	w	w	....	Samuel S. Walton....	Lucinda Jepson ....
24	"	John T. Ramsay	65	7	14	Cambridge, Ms.	m	w	m	Farmer	Thomas Ramsey	Nancy Perkins ...
Dec. 1	"	John N. Haseltine	82	7	..	Chester	m	w	w	Merchant....	Thomas Haselton....	Elizabeth Sanborn..
16	"	Marie V. Robie	46	3	27	Portsmouth, Va	f	w	m	....	Emanuel Friedlin....	Lucy Mahone ....

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to my best knowledge and belief.

CYRUS F. MARSTON, *Town Clerk.*